offices are normally open for business, AND not a legal holiday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at the request of any citizen or [taxpaper] TAXPAYER of [said county] DORCHESTER COUNTY, exhibit the same to [such] THE person without charge. [He] THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR shall give bond in the penalty of [five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.)] \$500,000 for the faithful performance of [his] duties OF THE OFFICE [,]. THE BOND IS to be secured by a bonding company, AND the premium on [said] THE bond IS to be paid by the County Commissioners and THE BOND IS to be approved by [said] THE COUNTY Commissioners[, and he]. THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR shall qualify under the State Constitution. [He] THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR shall countersign all checks issued by the County Treasurer in payment of warrant for bills against Dorchester County and shall examine each monthly, quarterly and annual report made by the County Treasurer and certify to the correctness of all such reports as soon as practical thereafter.

D. [The title of the Clerk shall be the Administrative Assistant to the County Commissioners of Dorchester County. He shall be referred to as the Administrative Assistant to the County Commissioners of Dorchester County in all] NOTWITHSTANDING ARTICLE 25, § 1 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, IN DORCHESTER COUNTY, THE CLERK TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. ANY REFERENCE IN THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND TO THE CLERK TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL MEAN IN DORCHESTER COUNTY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. ANY REFERENCE TO THE CLERK TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN THIS CODE OR IN ANY county acts, ordinances, bond issues [and all] OR other county matters SHALL MEAN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.

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The [Clerk to the County Commissioners is authorized and empowered to] COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR MAY administer an oath or affirmation [upon] ON any claim against the county or [upon] ON any official papers connected with [his] THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved April 11, 1995.